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THE MINERS' CONVENTION.

Much Important Business is Transacted.

PRESIDENT LEGG RE-ELECTED.

President's Salary Fixed to Make it Possible for Him to Devote His Entire Time to the Business of the District—Grievances of Local Unions.

The annual convention of the delegates from the local unions of sub-district No. 3, United Mine Workers of America, is now in session at the Trades and Labor Assembly hall, in this city. The meeting convened Thursday afternoon, at the request of President Robert Legg, and its object was to elect officers for the coming year and to fix the salary of the president. Heretofore President Legg has been doing the work gratis, but the increased number of cares and duties thrust upon him has made it impossible for him to attend to his regular work in the mines. The salary will enable him to devote his entire time to the cares of his office. The increase of the number of local unions in sub-district No. 3 from 21 to 40, the changes in the wage scale, grievances between miners and operators, changes made by introduction of machinery into mines, correspondence, etc., makes the duties of the president heavy. The ballot on this question stood twelve votes against and thirty-four in favor.

President Legg was re-elected. Secretary-Treasurer John Morgan was selected for his old office on the first ballot. John N. Davis, of Pigeon Run, was elected to the vice presidency. The members of the executive board elected were as follows: D. C. Jones, of Palmyra; Henry Venables, North Lawrence; Thomas Hiscox, John F. Harney, Massillon.

FRIDAY'S SESSION.

The first business to come up Friday morning was the report of the committee on resolutions. It contained a number of grievances of local unions against operators. Some claims for increases in wages were included among the resolutions. These were adopted or tabled, according to the sentiment of the convention. Those adopted will be brought up for action at the state convention at Columbus, which opens January 12, 1903. The national convention will open in Indianapolis, January 19, 1903.

The first resolution, read by Chairman John F. Harney of the committee on resolutions, was a commendation of the work of the national committee in bringing the great anthracite strike to a close, the superb generalship displayed and the success which is now attending their efforts in presenting the condition of the miners before the commission appointed by President Roosevelt. This resolution was unanimously passed by the convention. Resolution No. 2 was as follows:

Whereas, Business in this country is in a prosperous condition, and whereas the cost of the necessities of life have been increased, be it

Resolved, That we, as delegates, go home instructed to submit to our constituents the necessity of asking for an increase in wages of 20 cents per ton. This report was endorsed by the committee, and adopted amid cries of "Good! Good!"

The resolution providing for the establishment of a wage scale for the various thicknesses of coal, was introduced. This resolution provided that all coal under four feet in thickness should be considered deficient and four cents added per ton for every three inches of deficiency, or four cents extra for 3 feet 8 inches, eight cents extra for 3 feet 4 inches, and so on down the scale. This substitute for the original resolution was adopted as the sense of the convention.

A resolution to allow applicants for membership to the various unions to pay their initiation fee of $10 in installments, $2.50 to be attached from each of the first four consecutive payments of wages, was finally passed after considerable discussion. Objection was raised to this move on the ground that advantage of the privileges would be taken by unscrupulous persons and the resolution militate against the unions. It was finally shown that the suggestion was made as an act of act of leniency, courtesy and good will towards poor miners who would not be able to pay $10 at one time.

A resolution recommending the establishment of a standard scale of wages for work on the outside of mines was introduced by local union No. 640. This resolution was carried unanimously and will be suggested to the members of the state convention by President Legg next January.

A resolution demanding that the wages of miners in this district be paid at the end of every two weeks, allowing the operators to hold back one week's wages, was next introduced. Some discussion as to the legality of such a resolution followed, but it was finally adopted as the sentiment of the convention.

The resolution fixing the president's salary at $60 and all expenses makes it compulsory that he shall file each month an itemized account of his expenses with the secretary, who shall forward a printed copy of the same to each local union in the district. This resolution was unanimously adopted as the sense of the convention but was referred to the constitution committee for revision.

A resolution introduced by local union No. 440 was as follows: Resolved, That if at quitting time there be not a sufficient number of cars at the mines for one-half day's work on the following day that no work be done on the following morning. This resolution was tabled after some discussion.

Another resolution was as follows: Whereas, At the last state convention a maximum limit of eight hours was named as constituting a day's work, and whereas this rule is being violated at many of the mines of this district, be it resolved that this convention take this matter up and provide for the enforcement of this rule, and be it further resolved that when it is necessary in case of emergency for men to work in the mines on Sunday, that the mine committee be first consulted and that extra compensation be asked in the reduction of hours or increase of wages. President Legg supported this resolution and it was finally decided to use every effort to stop men from working more than eight hours per day and at the same time ask for an increase in wages for Sunday work, as suggested in the resolution.

The resolution of the national convention asking for an increase of 25 per cent per ton on all coal mined, was endorsed unanimously.

The discussion regarding the adoption of some rule governing the initiation fees of prospective members was brought up. The question arose as to what would be done where miners demanded that mine bosses pay them their entire salary instead of reserving $2.50 from each pay until said initiation fee be paid. President Legg immediately replied by saying that that mine would be given to these kind of men to work themelves. This statement was received with applause and practically disposed of all objections.

The last resolution read provided for the demand on operators that mines which were being worked with machinery should be made machine mines only, and no pick miners employed. Another part of the resolution provided for the re-establishment of the old differential scale of 15 cents for pick miners. This resolation was not recommended by the committee and when voted upon was lost.

President Legg wound up the morning session with the statement that the machine problem is growing to be the biggest problem which the miners will have to contend with, especially so in the Massillon district, and that the machines are growing to be a great detriment to the national miners.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON'S SESSION.

The question of a lack of cars at the various mines throughout this district was one of the first to come up Friday afternoon. President Legg attributes this largely, not to the lack of railroad motive power, but to the attempt on the part of the coal trust to "squeeze out" the independent companies. President Legg suggested referring this question to the scale committee for adjustment. Finally a motion was made to force the railways to have a sufficient number of cars at the mines at quitting time for at least one-half day's work on the following day.

The meeting then adjourned to the small hall on account of another meeting in the large hall.

MAYOR APPOINTS CHIEF.

Appointment Must be Confirmed by Council.

Columbus, Dec. 20.—The question of who is to appoint the chief of police under the code, raised by Solicitor McGarry, of East Liverpool, was propounded to Smith Bennett, code expert of the attorney general's department, and his answer was that the mayor appoints and council confirms.

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CONVENTION CLOSES FRIDAY.

Much Important Business Transacted.

CHANGES IN THE CONSTITUTION.

Revenue Levy of 5 Cents Per Month Assessed Each Miner—Three Auditors Elected—Cheers for District Officers, Mitchell and President Roosevelt.

There was a full attendance of the delegates to the annual convention of sub-district No. 3, of district No. 6, United Mine Workers of America, at the Friday afternoon session, the number present being 46.

The most important piece of business transacted was the passage of a resolution providing for the punishment of any miner who shall allow his name or number to be used for the purpose of obtaining more than enough coal from the coal banks than will supply his personal needs. In many distrcts the operators have withdrawn their promise of allowing miners to procure coal at reduced rates upon presentation of their number at any of the mines. Unscrupulous miners on several occasions took advantage of this privilege and allowed teamsters to haul coal to storekeepers, saloonkeepers and others with whom the miners traded, as settlement for debts. Upon learning this the operators withdrew the privilege in many of the districts.

This question was the subject of much discussion and various suggestions as to forms of punishment for these offenders were made. A motion was finally made that any member of the union caught in this act should be suspended for twenty days for the first offense, thirty days for the second and expelled for the third. President Legg then volunteered to take up the question with the operators again, and see if the old rates would not be given them in purchasing coal for personal needs.

The organization of a union at the new Clinton mine was the subject of general discussion. This mine employs several men who have withdrawn from unions in times past, and the advisability of attempting an organization with this class of men was questioned. It was finally decided to allow President Legg to use his own judgment in the matter.

Several radical changes were made in the constitution governing sub-district No. 3, as follows:

Section 1, article 4. The revenue of this organization shall be derived from local unions under its jurisdiction, from the payment of five cents per member from each local union to the treasurer of sub-district No. 3. The excutive board shall have power to increase or diminish these dues in emergency.

Section, 2, article 4: Local unions shall be represented at conventions and have one vote for every twenty-five members or majority fraction thereof. The constitution formerly provided for one vote for every fifty members.

Section 1, article 5: The salary of the president shall be $60 per month, payable semi-monthly, on the 1st and 15th of each month, with expenses, an itemized account of which must be submitted to the secretary. The president shall draw his salary from the state organization when performing duties outside of the limits of this district.

The vice president shall receive the same salary as members of the executive board, $2.60 per day, except when performing the duties of the president, when his salary shall be the same as the president.

The secretary-treasurer shall receive $60 per year, payable quarterly, with expenses. When convening with members of the executive board he shall be paid the same as members of the board. This is an increase of $20 per year in the secretary-treasurer's salary.

Article 4, section 5: All members of the executive board, except officers, shall receive $2.60 per day while doing board duty. A change of 25 cents to be added or subtracted from their wages with every rise or fall of ten cents in mining rates.

Section 6, article 5: The term of office of the president, vice president, secretary-treasurer and members of the executive board shall expire January 31 after the annual convention.

Section 5, article 5: The auditors shall receive the same pay as the members of the executive board.

Section 3, article 6: It shall be necessary for each member to be nominated by two local unions before becoming a candidate for office in the sub-district. The president, vice president, secretary-treasurer and members of the executive board shall be elected by a majority vote at the regular annual convention.

Section 5, article 6: There shall be elected at the annual convention three officers whose duty it shall be to audit the books of the various local unions and the sub-district books on the first of each June and the first of each December, and a report of the work shall be sent to each local union upon completion.

The report of the constitution committee was then adopted as a whole and the committee discharged.

Some dissatisfaction was expressed among the members concerning the manner of electing national officers. Delegate Thomas made the startling statement that the blank sent out by the national secretary to this district for the naming of prospective candidates did not reach Massillon until November 16 and that all nominations were closed on the 19th of that month. State Secretary G. W. Savage, of Columbus, immediately jumped to his feet and declared that if this statement could be proved charges would be filed against National Secretary Wilson.

A motion was made to have printed constitutions embodying the latest changes to the number of 2,500, to be distributed to the various locals in this district. The motion was carried.

The election of auditors for the coming year resulted in the selection of G. W. Farnsworth, Harmon Slusser and John Featheringham. Each new officer made a short speech of acceptance and thanks.

A rising vote of thanks was then extended State Secretary Savage, on motion of Mr. Slusser. One enthusiastic member shouted, "Three cheers for our president and treasurer, and one long one for John Mitchell and President Roosevelt." This motion was amended and a vote of thanks extended to the district officers for their work during the past year.

State Secretary G. W. Savage closed the meeting with a short speech on the firm foothold which the miners now have, and his satisfaction at the unity shown everywhere. "Never was this unity so much in evidence as now, and especially is this so of this state and this particular district," he said. "There are not now nearly so many people and organizations fighting the unions of the miners as in the past."

The convention then adjourned.

WOOSTER GLASS WORKS.

Men Ordered to Report on January 5.

"Glassblowers and other employes of the Wooster Glass Company have been ordered to report in Wooster on Monday, January 5, and the glass works will be in operation one day that week, and in a few days after that the factory will be in full operation with every hand employed and working full time." The above was a statement made to a Republican representative Friday morning by H. F. Pocock, secretary of the Wooster Glass Company.

The glassblowers are coming to Wooster from all points of the compass. "I was surprised the other day," said Mr. Pocock, "when a gentleman asked me for a list of the new men, and I had a stenographer prepare it, to find just how many points our men are coming from. They are scattered all the way from New Jersey to Kansas City. Twelve are coming from Massillon, some being already here. We secured the men for Wooster last summer, and they have been filling in the time working at different places until we should be ready for them here."

Mr. Pocock stated that he considered the Wooster plant one of the finest in existence. "As I stated to a gentleman this morning," he said, "I would like to have any of our competitors inspect our Wooster factory and that is about the best recommendation a person can give a glass factory."

The finishing touches are being given to the factory here, and everything is looming up in good shape. It is practically certain now that there is nothing at all in the way of starting to make glass during the week commencing January 5.—Wooster Republican.

POPE'S APPOINTMENTS.

Rome, Dec. 20.—The pope today signed the appointment of Bishop James E. Quigley, of Buffalo, as archbishop of Chicago, and the Rev. J. F. Regis Canevin as coadjutor bishop of Pittsburg.

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SIPPO OIL WELL BEING BAILED.

Pumping Expected to Begin Next Week.

INDICATIONS ARE PROMISING.

Two Wagon Loads of White Berea Sand Already Taken Out of the Hole—Oil in the Well to the Depth of 300 Feet Before the Shot Was Fired—Notes Taken From Personal Observation.

The "cleaning out" process is still going on at the Sippo oil well. After the shot which was fired off in the well Tuesday evening the sand, which is nothing more than the pulverized Berea rock accumulated in the bottom of the well, and there is now probably two wagon loads of this material to bail out, almost two loads having been taken out. It is estimated that at this rate the well will not be in condition for pumping until the first of next week.

The rumors which have been floating around Sippo and Dalton to the effect that a twenty-five barrel well has been struck, proved to be false upon an investigation by a representative of The Independent. These reports were set afloat by imaginative people probably because so much secrecy is being maintained by the drillers of the well. Visitors are allowed on the ground, and many witness the work as it is being carried on, but no information can be gleaned from the drillers who say that they "have a seal on their mouths."

The most reliable information to be picked up by observation is found in a close examination of the pumping outfit, which was used on the well before the "shooting" took place. All inquiries as to the depth of the well have been fruitless of results, and no accurate figures have as yet been published. By measuring the length of the pipes used in the pumping outfit it was learned that the well is now down 722 feet and 6 inches. Another examination of the pipes showed that when in their upright position in the well, oil had covered them to a depth of almost one-half, or over three hundred feet. An expert oil man, scraping the oil from the pipes onto a stick closely examined it and pronounced it to be a sample of the finest quality of engine oil, or oil used for lubricating purposes. This oil lists in the market at about $6 per barrel. All estimates as to the quantity of oil which will be pumped when the well is cleaned out have been based on comparison of indications at this well with that of other and larger fields. The Scio field in particular was used for comparison. Experts agree that the sand, or crushed Berea rock, now being bailed out, is of a more fluffy and finer quality than any taken from Scio wells. The sample of oil taken from the pipes is almost 50 per cent better than that of the Scio field, and every indication leads to the belief that the field will be almost as good as Scio. The wells drilled in the vicinity of Sippo will not be "gushers" as at Scio, but it is expected that the application of pumps will bring their output to about twenty-five barrels per day with a possibility of more.

The well is situated north of Sippo about one-half mile, in the center of a corn field. The bailer being used makes the trip from top to bottom and return in about three minutes. Scattered about the well are evidences of the powerful work of the nitro-glycerine shot fired last Tuesday. Small fragments of white or Berea rock are scattered through the corn field. In several places the ground is covered with oil which was blown up with the shot. The go-devil, or firing hammer, was picked up after the shot near the well. The go-devil consists of a hollow piece of three-inch iron pipe, which, when dropped onto the exploding cap in the well, fires off the charge of nitro-glycerin. J. Reynolds, an experienced oil driller, has charge of the drilling. Mr. Reynolds gained a reputation in the Scio field as a valuable oil well driller. Mr. Reynolds would not disclose any of the secrets of the well but admitted that the company evidently expected it to make a good showing or operations would have been abandoned.

It was learned from an authentic source that each of the Massillonians interested in the well possesses a sample bottle of the oil, pumped from the well last Monday, and all are confident that a paying well has been put down.

STOCK FOR EMPLOYES.

Plans of Republic Iron and Steel Company.

Pittsburg, Dec. 20.—Notice has been received at the offices of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers from the Republic Iron and Steel Company that a plan for making the workmen in those plants stockholders in the company will be presented to the next convention at Columbus, O.

Plans are now being considered by which the puddlers and finishers employed in the mills of this company can become stockholders and it is probable that the scheme will be ratified by the convention. The officials of the Republic Iron and Steel Company have decided that if the plan is adopted the men will be given representation on the board of directors.

SECRECY AT THE SIPPO OIL WELL.

Sippo Residents Start Many Wild Rumors.

SALT WATER BEING PUMPED.

Residents Claim That a Twenty-five Barrel Well Has Been Sunk—Parties Interested Say That it May be Week Before the Salt Water Can be Cleaned Out—Samples Show Oil to be Worth From $5 to $6 Per Barrel.

Thursday the pumps were at work on the new Sippo oil well, and salt water was still being pumped. The oil pool has not been touched yet and it may be several days before all the water and waste material is pumped out. The samples of oil which have been secured are of the best quality, ranging in price from $5 to $6 per barrel. Taken from the white fluffy sand of the Berea rock it is claimed that no refining process would be necessary to make it fit for lubricating purposes.

Tuesday night the well was shot with a sixty-pound charge of nitro-glycerine. After this no news leaked through the strict guard which has been placed around the well, and the pumping is being done with secrecy. The presence of another company in the field has made this action necessary.

The statement that no Massillonians were interested in the well proves to have been erroneous. I. M. Taggart, John Albright, Paul Wampler and George Eggert all have an interest in the well and in the option on 1200, acres of land. Mr. Eggert also controls 400 acres of farm land to the immediate north of the new well.

The secrecy which is being maintained about the movement at the well leads Sippo residents to suspect that a large strike has been made and as a result all manner of wild rumors are being circulated at Sippo and Dalton.

NEWS FROM COUNTY SEAT.

Court House Officials Attend G. W. Wilhelm's Funeral.

Canton, Dec. 20.—County Commissioners Summer, Hill and Hay, Probate Judge Aungst, Deputy Auditor Reed, Clerk of Courts Wise, Deputy Clerk of Courts Agler and Sheriff McKinney were court house officials who went to Justus Saturday morning to attend the funeral of the late Senator George W. Wilhelm. Quite a number of others from Canton also left on the inter-urban cars for Navarre, whence they were conveyed in carriages to Justus. Two handsome floral pieces were sent early Saturday morning. One of these was from county officials and the other from Canton friends.

Probate criminal court adjourned at the conclusion of the trial of Thomas Murphy, charged with over-driving a horse belonging to Liveryman J. W. Richardson, Friday afternoon. The jury found Murphy guilty as charged. Judge Aungst sentenced the young man to pay a fine of $50 and costs and to stand committed until paid. The court then discharged the jurors. The case of Ohio against Margaret Henderson, charged with assault, was continued until the next term of court.

In the estate of John B. Russell, Massillon, Frank A. Vogt was appointed administrator.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1902.

Dun's trade review of the past week shows that Masillon's prosperous holiday business conditions are repeated all over the country. Industrial plants are well employed, orders running far into the future, and labor controversies rare. The only adverse feature of the situation is the fact that supplies of fuel are inadequate and that the railroads are finding it almost impossible to handle the immense amount of holiday freight now in transit.

At the annual meeting of the National Civil Service Reform League just held in Philadelphia, the report of the council observed that "while the strict observance of the civil service rules must be a matter of serious concern for all friends of good government and pure politics, but one occasion has arisen during the past year which justified in the council's judgment, remonstrance on the part of the league against a failure thus to observe them." This record certainly justifies the statement that "the council notes as particularly gratifying a very great and rapid advance in the application of the principles advocated by the league during the past year in the federal service."

The question as to the title the United States government prefers to give its minister to Venezuela pending the settlement of claims which has been intrusted to him, is yet unsettled, although it is probable that Mr. Bowen will be permitted to exercise the greatest freedom in his conferences with representatives of the allies. An intermediary is defined as a person who acts merely as the channel of communication between parties in dispute without power to attempt an adjustment through suggestion and argument. This definition tallies with the part about to be played by Mr. Bowen; it is probable, therefore, that he will be regarded as an intermediary rather than a mediator or arbitrator.

Dr. Herman, who is said to have been appointed by the Colombian government to succeed Minister Concha, will continue negotiations for the canal treaty. Satisfactory agreement has been reached concerning the question of sovereignty. The indemnity and minor points are now under advisement Colombia's position is this: She now has complete sovereignty. Under the present concessions to be purchased by the United States, Colombia is a participating partner in the canal. The United States offers ten million dollars in a lump sum and ten thousand annually, or seven millions in one payment and one hundred thousand annually. Colombia contends that neither of these propositions offers sufficient compensation.

The measure in which the railroads of the country have failed to meet their obligations in handling the immense carrying business of the United States this year is an indication of how enormous has been the growth of our commercial prosperity. In spite of the building of hundreds of new cars and engines, the addition of terminal facilities and other devices to facilitate the movement of trains, blockades of freight are reported from every section and shippers of merchandise are said to be looking into the future with increasing apprehension. The problem is a serious one, but the United States has faced others more serious. Troubles caused by a surplus of prosperity are troubles which Uncle Sam's neighbors would be glad to borrow.

Dispatches from London show that British disgust with Germany lights up afresh as evidence is supplied that the details of the coercive measures in Venezuela were not, as had been generally inferred in England, prearranged with the Washington government. Liberal, conservative and independent journals alike deplore the facility with which Mr. Balfour and Lord Lansdowne were drawn into a hard and fast dual agreement and emphatically declare that England's interests in Venezuela were too insignificant to justify the risks of a misunderstanding with the United States. The unanimity of judgment in the English press on this subject is remarkable. Alliance with Germany for any purpose would have been unpopular after the dubious results of the agreement respecting China, but it will become highly obnoxious if suspicions are justly aroused that the German emperor sought to embroil England and the United States.

HIGH PRICES OF MEAT.

The conditions which led to the abnormally big prices of meat which have obtained for the past year appear to have about come to an end, and it is probably now only a question of a comparatively short time before a more reasonable level of prices will be reached. At the big Kansas City packing houses meat is selling today for from three to five cents a pound less than the prevailing quotations of twelve months ago. Not only has the price decreased, but the quality of the meat, owing to the better quality of food available during the past six months, is noticeably improved. The full effect of these changed conditions may not be felt in a moment all over the country. They will surely make themselves felt before a very long time has passed, however, and then noticeable relief from the abnormal conditions of the past year can be expected.

The extremely high price of practically every kind of meat during the past year was due chiefly to the drought of the summer of 1901, which seriously interfered with the development of Uncle Sam's corn crop of that year. Being short of feed for their live stock, farmers in many parts of the country sold their cattle and hogs during the early autumn. The result of this was a state of affairs which very closely approached a meat famine later in the year, when the usual demand of the cities could not be supplied by the already denuded farms. All during the period of abnormally high prices the demand for meat greatly exceeded the supply. The abundant crops of last summer changed this condition, however, and now cattle are coming into the larger packing centers in ever increasing numbers. With the supply equalling, if not exceeding the demand, the price of meat, in accordance with a rule of trade which is stronger than any combination real or fancied, can be, will slowly but very surely decline. The good crops of 1902 have already been the cause of much satisfaction on the part of Uncle Sam. When the further effect has been seen in a considerable reduction in the price of meats, the people of the republic will have even more cause to be thankful that good instead of bad or even medium, crops were the rule in 1902.

CUBA'S DEVELOPMENT.

Wonderful Progress Since American Occupation.

Washington, Dec. 20.—A striking picture of the development of Cuba since the Spanish war is presented in a report to his home government by Lionel Carden, the British minister at Havana, a copy of which has just reached Washington. The minister says:

"It is highly satisfactory to note the remarkable progress the island has made in the past three years, in spite of the deplorable condition in which it was left at the end of the war. The production of sugar has risen from 335,000 tons in 1899, to more than 800,000 tons in 1901, and probably will reach 1,000,000 tons in this year's crop. The cultivation and manufacture of tobacco, as well as the minor industries, show considerable improvement; the stock of cattle on the island, thanks to large importations, is now probably upwards of 750,000, as compared with less than 200,000 at the beginning of 1899; and finally, the value of exports has increased from £9,260,000 to £12,650,000, and would have reached much higher figures but for the fall in the price of sugar.

"Considering how little financial assistance the Cubans have received from abroad, it speaks very highly for their energy and industry that they should have achieved so much in so short a time, and with such limited resources at their command, and affords strong grounds for believing that the work of developing the island's industries anew, commenced under such difficulties, will be persevered in."

All through the minister's report, treating of the details of each branch of commerce, he points out to his countrymen the ever growing competition of the United States. The report is full of advice to English traders as to the best means of meeting this competition and of holding the ground in Cuban trade which is being taken rapidly from them by the United States.

VISITED MRS. M'KINLEY.

Distinguished Army Officers in Canton Today.

Canton, Dec. 20.—Major Generals Young, Chaffee and Corbin, Colonel Webb C. Hayes and Colonel and Mrs. Myron T. Herrick, of Cleveland, called on Mrs. McKinley today. This afternoon they will visit the tomb of President McKinley, and will then return to Cleveland, where the distinguished army officers will be guests at the chamber of commerce banquet tonight.

HOSPITAL NOTES.

The Institution Now Contains 963 Patients.

DR. EYMAN'S CHARGE NOT HIGH.

The County Commissioners Objected to Paying $100 for Expert Testimony at the Recent Trial of Melvin Smith—Such Testimony is Usually Paid for at the Rate of $50 Per Day—The Massillon Hospital's Reputation Brings Visitors on Tours of Inspection.

The regular meeting of the trustees of the Massillon state hospital was held Thursday afternoon. The only trustees present were Dr. S. J. McMahon, of Cambridge, and Dr. J. E. Russell, of Mt. Vernon. The monthly report, from November 15 to December 5, was read. The number of patients in the hospital November 15 was 946. Twenty-five new patients were received during the month. One improved case was discharged. The death rate for the month was large, there having been seven deaths. Thirty-one cases were let out on trial visits. There were remaining in the institution December 15, 963 patients. The nurses' training school is in a flourishing condition. The junior and senior classes each have a membership of twelve.

Architect Packard and Contractor Evans visited the institution Friday and inspected the work already done on the foundations of the new buildings. Mr. Packard directed that Mr. Evans cover the foundations so that they may be protected from the weather until next spring when building will be resumed.

Dr. Eyman feels that he made an extremely reasonable charge for his services as a professional witness at the trial of Melvin Smith. The county commissioners protested against Dr. Eyman's charge of $100 for three days' testimony. The usual charge for expert testimony in murder cases is $50 per day. Dr. Eyman says he has received as much as $100 per day.

The work of building the road between the drive and the superintendent's residence is nearing completion. The drive is nearly a quarter of a mile long and is being made of cinders and gravel, which after some use will make a fine roadbed.

Mrs. M. L. Gray, matron of the new state hospital at Farmington, Mo., is visiting the Massillon hospital in order that she may become acquainted with the working order of the institution and thereby understand more thoroughly the character of the work which she will take next month. The Massillon hospital has an excellent reputation throughout the United States. Before the building of the new Missouri state hospital was begun the building board of that state had the privilege of visiting what they considered the best institution of its kind in the United States. They selected the Massillon hospital as the institution which they wished to visit. Since the completion of the Missouri hospital they have sent several of iis employes and officials to observe the methods at the Massillon institution.

Dr. Eyman is still hoping that the hospital may yet be able to supply all its own milk, but this will not be possible until the state owns more acreage for pasture. At present the hospital owns twelve cows. Sixty will be needed before the institution can have an independent milk supply.

Christmas presents are coming in at a lively rate. The room of Dr. Eyman's secretary will be vacated this week so that the presents can be stored in it. As the presents come for the various patients the fact is noted opposite their names on the books. On Christmas those who have not received gifts from friends at a distance will be supplied with them.

Dr. and Mrs. John Russell and the Misses Katherine and Sarah Russell, of Mt. Vernon, are guests of Dr. and Mrs. Eyman. Mrs. George D. Copeland and Miss Alice Copeland, of Marion, are also guests at the superintendent's residence.

Miss Jane Miller, of Cleveland, who has been visiting Miss Ethel Eyman, returned to her home on Tuesday.

Steward S. O. Latimer attended the banquet of the Mystic Shriners in Cleveland this week.

One may dwell beneath poverty's lowly roof, or live in mansions of brick. They'll find a friend in Rocky Mountain Tea. It rids life of its burdens. Z. T. Baltzly.

CHARGED WITH MANY MISDEEDS

Boycotts, Intimidation, Dynamiting and Violence in Other Forms Alleged Against Miners.

Scranton Pa. Dec. 20.—Non-union men, some of their relatives and others to the number of 39 were before the anthracite coal strike commission yesterday and told their stories of alleged boycotts, intimidation, dynamiting and violence in various forms during the late strike. Each witness called was a sufferer in one form or another at the hands, they alleged, of union men. Four witnesses said attempts were made to blow up their house, one house was badly damaged, many of the witnesses were threatened with bodily harm, several were beaten, one was shot in the leg, and every one was stoned, boycotted or hung in effigy. One school teacher testified to having lost his position because his father did not strike. One man was asked to resign from a Catholic temperance society and another witness was expelled from a local lodge of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, after a membership of 26 or 28 years, because they were classed as unfair workmen.

Chairman Gray asked one witness if he remained at work so that the pumps could be kept in good repair, and thus keep the mines from being destroyed, and he said he did. Mr. Darrow asked him how long he worked and examined him in such a way on this subject that it drew out the remark from Chairman Gray that men will work 15 hours or more to help save a neighbor's burning house.

All the other witnesses testified to having been hung in effigy once or more times, that grocers, butchers, milkmen and icemen refused to serve them, because they were afraid their business would be boycotted, and that they were severely beaten and socially ostracised.

The commission met at 9 o'clock this morning and adjourned at 11:45 o'clock for the holidays. Most of the commissioners will immediately leave for their homes.

PURE FOOD BILL PASSES HOUSE.

Not a Quorum Present, but Point Was Not Raised by Opponents of Measure.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The house yesterday passed the pure food bill by a vote of 72 to 21. There was not a quorum present, but the point was not raised by the opponents of the measure. The speakers yesterday were Messrs. Richardson (Ala.), Hepburn (Ia.), Gaines (Tenn.) and Schrim (Md.), for the measure, and Mr. Chandler (Miss.) against it.

A bill was passed to donate a piece of ground to Chilliam Washington; also to amend the act relating to the location of a public building at Muskegon, Mich. At 3:20 the house adjourned.

NATIONAL CAPITAL NEWS.

M. M. Mosier was yesterday appointed postmaster at Balsam, Tioga county, Pa.

The house committee on commerce yesterday reported favorably the bills requiring safety appliances for coupling cars.

The house committee on banking and currency yesterday favorably reported the currency bill introduced by Chairman Fowler.

Representative Stephens, of Texas, yesterday introduced a bill to open for settlement 505,000 acres of land in the Kiowa, Commanche and Apache Indian reservations in Oklahoma.

Minister Hart, of Bogota, has cabled the state department that a recent government decree provides for a progressive reduction of 10 per cent monthly in the export duties of Colombia, beginning Jan. 1, 1903.

Confirmation of the Panama canal treaty with Colombia has again been moved into the future, and it is now said that no treaty commission can be expected before Christmas, and probably not until the beginning of next year.

The house committee on interstate commerce yesterday ordered a favorable report on the department of commerce bill. The vote on reporting it stood five to three The provision for including the bureau of labor in the new department was retained on a tie vote.

INSANE MAN'S DELUSION.

Wanted Warrant for President Roosevelt for Encouraging Assault.

Chelsea, Mass., Dec. 20.—"I want a warrant for President Roosevelt," said Charles C. White, a well-to-do citizen, yesterday at the Central police station. Addressing Police Captain Grover, White continued:

"He hired Tim McCarthy and John Farley to assault me the other day and I was assaulted by them on Western avenue. Roosevelt was there in his carriage and encouraged the men while they were striking me."

Then the speaker rambled into a long string of complaints against President Roosevelt and the coal question. The man was laboring under excitement and resisted arrest. He was overpowered and a loaded revolver and a razor was found on him. He is held for an examination by physicians.

Guilty of Conspiracy to Blackmail.

Columbus, O Dec. 20.—Thomas E. Steele, a prominent local attorney, and Mrs Anna Miller were found guilty of conspiracy to blackmail in the United States court here yesterday afternoon. Fifty prominent people were involved in the scandal upon which the case rested. Ivor Hughes, another attorney, and Mrs. Miller are under indictment in the same connection.

LOOKS LIKE PEACE.

Germany Accepts Plan For a Peaceful Settlement of the Venezuelan Difficulty.

DELIVERY OF REPLY DELAYED.

If President Castro Will Render Necessary Apologies the Remaining Questions in Dispute Can Go Properly to The Hague Tribunal.

Berlin, Dec. 20.—The answer of Germany to the arbitration proposal in behalf of Venezuela, received through the United States government, is its acceptance. The delivery of this reply to the United States for transmission to Minister Bowen is delayed for a day or two for tactical reasons, probably through the expectation that another solution may be found, possibly by President Castro yielding. Four days ago the idea of the German government was in favor of rejecting arbitration, and that is understood to have been the temper of the British foreign office. While it is impossible to trace the steps that led to a reversal of this view, it appears that the state of public opinion in the United States, as far as Germany is concerned, produced a revision of the first ideas.

Venezuelans Excited

Caracas, Dec. 20.—The Venezuelan government has received information from Washington that its proposal for the arbitration of the adjustment of British, German and Italian difficulties have been transmitted by Secretary Hay to the governments in question. Answers to these proposals cannot be expected before today.

The Venezuelan people are still waiting with considerable excitement the receipt of the replies from these powers. They cannot understand that their country, after having raised and armed 43,000 men, who have not had a chance to fight, and who, consequently, have not been defeated, should be reduced to accept arbitration or any other method of settlement.

The French note to Venezuela has absolutely nothing further of an ultimatum, although its text is still unknown here in consequence of delay in its transmission by cable. Therefore Charge d'Affaires Quievreux has not been able to present it. Its terms are similar to those of Belgium and Spain, asking for the most favored nation treatment in the payment of the claims.

Under German Stipulations.

Rome, Dec. 20.—The foreign office hopes to receive communications from the governments of Great Britain and Germany today giving their adhesion to the United States Minister Bowen, with full powers to act for Venezuela, but under the conditions stipulated by Germany.

A semi-official announcement now places the Italian claims against Venezuela at $2,000,000.

London, Dec. 20.—A special dispatch received here from Brussels says the Dutch minister to Venezuela Dr. Van Leyden, has been recalled and that Dutch interests in Venezuela have been committed to United States Minister Bowen.

Think Hague Tribunal Proper Place.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The official day yesterday closed without further developments here respecting the Venezuelan complications. The status of the arbitration proposition, on which everyone waits, was that with a willingness to accept such a solution in principle, no one of the allies was ready to submit unreservedly to arbitration; in each case there were reservations or conditions insisted upon. Respecting the method of arbitration, if it should come to that form of adjustment, it is noted that the feeling is growing that The Hague tribunal should undertake the case. Mr. Bowen, it is reported, wished to come to Washington in order personally to effect an adjustment with the resident ambassadors of the allies, but while the state department makes no statement upon the point it is believed that it does not regard this plan with favor. It is pointed out here, in connection with the project to refer the matter to The Hague tribunal, that in some phases the disputes will not admit of arbitration. Such is the case, for instance, where attacks on British and German subjects and the German legation at Caracas and arrests of consular officers, have made the Venezuelan offense equivalent to attacks on the national honor of the allies, and such to be atoned for only by an ample apology.

Claims Are Divisible.

The Hague tribunal could not arbitrate such issues, but it is pointed out at the state department that the claims are divisible, and that if President Castro chooses to render the necessary apologies the remaining questions can go properly to The Hague. It is believed that the United States government inclines to the view that there is a disposition to insist needlessly on guarantees for the payment by Venezuela of any judgment that might be rendered against her by arbitration. It believes that the force of enlightened public opinion would absolutely insure a settlement of any judgment rendered by the august tribunal and that President Castro would not be sustained by a single American country in defaulting.

HAUSER PLEADS GUILTY.

Hearing Before U. S. Commissioner at Warren.

Warren, O., Dec. 20.—Edmund Hauser, who was brought from Canton Friday by United States Marshal F. M. Fanning, appeared before United States Commissioner Gillmer last night and waived examination. Hauser was charged with defrauding the proprietor of the Conrad hotel, Canton, by representing himself as a United States secret service man and was also charged with working the "bad" money racket on three Canton saloonkeepers.

Hauser wanted to plead not guilty, but when he found he couldn't have a hearing at once, changed his mind and his bond was fixed by Commissioner Gillmer at $1,000. Marshal Fanning and his prisoner left at once for Cleveland.

JENKINS AGAIN WINS.

Parr Took First Fall in Seventeen Minutes.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Tom Jenkins, of Cleveland, won from Jim Parr, of England, for the fourth time last night, in spite of the fact that Police Gazette rules, allowing any flat fall, prevailed. Parr took the first fall in seventeen minutes and a half with a half-hammerlock and crotch hold. The second went to Jenkins in fifty-four minutes, a half-nelson turning the trick. The deciding fall went to Jenkins in twenty-one minutes.

A FRIEND'S ADVICE.

Will Often help you Greatly. Read What a Massillon Citizen Says.

You may hesitate to listen to the advice of strangers, but the testimony of friends or residents of Massillon is worth your most careful attention. It is an easy matter to investigate such proof as this. The evidence must be conclusive. Read the following:

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Reduction of Forty Per Cent on Many Articles Sent Into Cuba, and a Uniform Reduction of Twenty-five Per Cent on Shipments to This Country.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The friends of the reciprocity treaty, recently negotiated between the United States and Cuba, have been assured by members of the senate committee on foreign relations that the treaty will be taken up by that committee as soon as practicable after the Christmas holidays. There were several conferences on the subject at the capital yesterday, which resulted in this understanding. The terms of the treaty require that it shall be ratified before the 31st day of January, and its supporters appreciate the necessity for expedition in getting it out of the committee in order to avoid the necessity of an extension of time. The treaty makes more liberal provisions for the importation of American articles into the republic of Cuba than has been stated heretofore, there being provision for reductions in some cases of as much as 40 per cent, in others of 30 per cent, and still others of 25 per cent. On all American-grown or American-made articles, except tobacco imported into Cuba, and not specified in the 25, 30 and 40 per cent classes, there is to be a uniform tariff reduction of 20 per cent.

In return the United States agrees to a uniform reduction of 25 per cent, without exception, on all importations from Cuba. The new island republic does not agree to any reduction on tobacco grown in the United States, or in any of its possessions, and imported into Cuba.

There is a specific declaration to the effect that the rates fixed for each of the countries by the other shall be preferential of each party to the convention as against all other countries. There is also a provision against a discriminating tax on the articles affected in the country of their origin. In case either country shall change its tariff rates so as to deprive the other of advantages granted the other country is to have the privilege of abrogating the treaty. The treaty is to go into effect ten days after its ratification by the authorities of both countries.

The President has concluded that it will not be necessary to send the Cuban reciprocity treaty to the house of representatives. It is said that the house may satisfy itself by passing upon the reciprocity proposition incidental to the consideration of some legislation which will be necessary to give effect to the treaty, though that document will be ratified solely by the senate if ratified at all in Washington.

SMITH WILL GO TO CLEVELAND.

A Troublesome Case is About Disposed Of.

Canton, Dec. 20—Melvin R. Smith, the young man who shot and fatally wounded Conductor James B. Shetler on an interurban car, on September 26, will likely be taken to Cleveland state hospital for the insane. Since the decision of Judge Aungst holding Smith to be insane, as a reult of a lengthy inquiry as to his mental condition, the subject of which institution he should be confined in has received the attention of the attorney and others. Dr. H. C. Eyman, superintendent of the Massillon state hospital, declined to receive Smith for the reason that the law prohibits the confinement of epileptic patients in state hospitals. Attorney Sterling, who represents the Smith family, has obtained the consent of the board of trustees of the Cleveland institution to receive Smith as a patient. Under the law, however, Smith cannot be committed to the Cleveland hospital without the approval of the governor and the board of trustees and superintendent of the Massillon state hospital. Efforts are now being made to obtain these approvals and if successful, as is probable, Smith will be sent to Cleveland. If the approvals are not forthcoming it is said that the only disposition that can be made of the young man is to send him to the asylum for epileptics at Gallipolis.

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNS.

Next Meeting will be Held in Philadelphia, Jan. 6.

Scranton, Dec. 20.—The strike commission today held its last session of this year and adjourned to meet in Philadelphia, January 6. Witnesses called testified to violence and boycotts against non-union men.

Lockets with monograms at Hawver's.

REQUEST OF THE POWERS.

Want President Roosevelt to Act as Arbitrator.

Washington, Dec. 20.—President Roosevelt has proposed to the allied powers that the Venezuelan dispute be submitted to The Hague tribunal. The powers have replied with a counter proposal that President Roosevelt himself arbitrate the issue.

Berlin, Dec. 20—A semi-official statement has been made that the invitation to President Roosevelt to act as arbitrator was made after a thorough consultation between Germany and Great Britain. An understanding has been reached by the two powers and the German note will agree with the English note in all essential points.

SMITH-GOODRICH.

Two Well Known Young People Married Thursday Evening.

Miss Edna Smith and Mr. John Goodrich were quietly married Thursday evening at 5:30 o'clock at St. John's parsonage in Tremont street. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. E. Digel, with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shreve acting respectively as best man and bridesmaid. No other friends or relatives were present. The bride was attired in a light traveling costume. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Goodrich left for Cincinnati. They expect to return in a few days, but after the holidays will take an extended Eastern wedding trip.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Smith, of this city, and has a large circle of friends. The groom is a member of the firm of Goodrich & Shreve. Upon their return to this city Mr. and Mrs. Goodrich will make their home at 38 West Charles street, with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shreve.

OBITUARY.

MRS. MYRTLE TASKER.

Mrs. Myrtle Tasker, aged 32 years, wife of Lake Tasker, died of a complication of diseases at her home, 13 Wissmar avenue, Friday evening. Her husband and four small children survive. The funeral will take place from the family residence Sunday at 1 o'clock, the Rev. S. K. Mahon officiating. Interment will be made in the Massillon cemetery.

MRS. CORNELIA HARPER.

Mrs. Cornelia Harper, aged 86 years, died of the infirmities of age at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles H. Garrigues, two and one-half miles east of the city, Friday evening at 8:10 o'clock. Four children survive, three of whom are Mrs. Charles H. Garrigues, Mrs. Wheeler, of Lodi, and Mrs. J. R. Neiderhauser, of Cleveland. The body will be taken to Seville Monday morning at 6:30.

THE NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

Time Money Shows Effect of Growing Supplies—Bonds Better Sustained Than Stocks.

New York, Dec. 20.—Yesterday's stock market showed the natural effect of the elimination Thursday of a very large short interest and the consequent lack of an important sustaining influence. Thursday's upward rush of prices also led to considerable realizing. The professional traders on the floor, appreciating this state of affairs, worked for a reaction all day, and were rewarded in the latter part of the day by a sharp break in prices, which carried most of the market leaders generally below Thursday night.

The forecast of the weekly bank statement did not promise as good a showing as was counted on in the middle of the week and there was some selling due to disappointment on that score.

The continued eager demand for anthracite sustained the coalers. Great Northern preferred rose sharply without explanation. The sharp advance in the price of copper in London helped Amalgamated Copper. There was some check to the selling before the close, which was firm.

The report of the weekly exports of grain was a disappointment, the outgo of wheat being more than a million bushels less than in this week a year ago, and the growth in the corn export proving but moderate. Sterling exchange, however, made a further decline yesterday and the time money market showed the effect of growing supplies, the rate for short periods falling to 6 per cent flat, with no additional exaction for commission.

The bond market was better sustained than stocks, reflecting some investment demand in anticipation of the January coupons. Total sales par value, $3,990 000.

United States bonds were all unchanged on the last call.

Application for Rehearing.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 20.—Application was made to Governor Stone yesterday for a rehearing before the board of pardons in the case of Mrs. Kate Edwards, of Berks county, who murdered her husband. The board has refused to commute the death sentence of Mrs. Edwards, and it is probable the application for a rehearing will be refused. Judge Ermentrout, who tried the case, wrote to the board recently advising against a commutation of sentence.

STATEHOOD'S DEFEAT.

Bill's Chances Fade With Approach of Holiday Recess.

QUAY STILL FIGHTS DOGGEDLY ON

Congressmen Who Show a Disposition to Stop Army and Navy Football Games—Reed's Dislike For the Senate.

Washington, Dec. 20.—[Special.]—As the members of the two houses depart for the holidays so departs the hope of three territories which are longing for admission to the Union. Two weeks are taken out of a session already too short to consider and pass contested legislation. There are the appropriation bills soon to be rushed in, and they must pass or force an extra session. Congress will not force an extra session of a new congress simply because there are three territories seeking admission. Between my prediction of defeat for the omnibus bill and its accomplishment is the dogged determination of Senator Quay, who would defeat all other legislation and who would force an extra session or anything else to carry his point. But he has not a following behind him equally determined. When a bill comes over from the long session and then is crowded over the holidays, there is little hope for it, especially if the managers of the majority are determined to defeat the measure. Defeat and holiday adjournment go hand in hand on such occasions as these.

Against Football.

Some members of the house think that football between the West Point cadets and the Annapolis midshipmen should be stopped, and I expect to see some one offer an amendment of that character to one of the appropriation bills relating to the academies. The most outspoken man on the subject is Representative Butler of Pennsylvania, who is a member of the naval committee. He denounces it as a cruel sport and makes comparisons with hazing. Of course I do not look for any such amendment to go through. It would look rather absurd for congress to stop for the military and naval academies what is a recognized sport at every institution of learning in the country. Nor have they yet stopped hazing at the Naval academy. Such stupid things as compelling a plebe to stand upon his head until he has convulsions or compelling him to eat soap or stuff himself with fruit until he becomes sick are some of the alleged witty pranks still practiced at Annapolis.

Reed and the Senate.

Some men in the senate spoke quite well of Tom Reed after his death, but Reed never liked the senate as a body, nor did the senators like him. He was not the kind of man that would make friends in the senate while a leader in the other body. In fact, men who take a high rank in the affairs of the house are not likely to be popular in the senate. They have to fight too many things that the senate wants. Reed was one of those men. He held up every canal bill that ever came up while he was in the house. He spoke with contempt of the unlimited debate in the senate and its methods of allowing a minority to prevent legislation. It was John T. Morgan of Alabama who spoke most highly of Reed after his death; yet I once saw Morgan called to order and directed to take his seat because he was talking bitterly of Reed and the methods of the house while making a speech in the senate. He alluded to Reed on another occasion as the "great white czar." These things did not tend toward entire cordiality between Reed and the senators. On social occasions he was unsparing in his sarcasm, and many a senator has felt bitterness in his soul as a result of the big speaker's witty remarks.

A Virginia View.

"Are we going to get into war over this complication in Venezuela?" asked Representative Swanson of Virginia of a Republican friend.

"If you will let the administration alone," was the reply, "and not try to force things, as you did before the Spanish war, we will get through all right and without a war."

"Then you think," continued Swanson, "that if we don't demagogue and resolute the administration will settle the matter diplomatically, while if we kick up a row and bring on a war the Republicans will carry it on and keep themselves in power for another ten years?"

"That is about the size of it," was the reply.

So far as Mr. Swanson is concerned, it is safe to say that he will try to curb all propensities on his side of the house in the direction of inflaming public opinion or trying to have the United States dip into this Venezuelan trouble too far.

In His Fighting Clothes.

"Well, how's the statehood bill?" asked Senator Elkins as he just flitted into the senate for a short time.

"Defeated," answered some one laconically.

"Defeated!" he ejaculated. "How defeated?" And he had all his fighting clothes on in a minute.

"There will be debate unlimited, appropriation bills will intervene, the 4th of March will come and adjournment and no vote."

"Well, we will give them a whirl. What's the matter with an extra session and three nights' continuous session, eh," he asked defiantly, "if the rest of the fellows will stay with Quay and me?"

But there was that ever fatal "if."

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10th day of January, 1903,

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A part of the northwest quarter of section thirty (30), range ten (10), and township one (1), being taken from the east center part of the north half of said quarter. Beginning at a point where the Massillon road intersects with the east line of said quarter section; thence in a westerly direction with the line of said road ten and two-sixteenth (10 2-16) rods to a stake; thence south 15.65 rods to a point; thence in an easterly direction 10 2-16 rods to a point; thence north to the place of beginning, containing in all one acre, more or less.

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JOHN WALTER, Administrator.
By his Attorneys.
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December 8, 1902.

Notice.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Auditor of Stark County, Ohio, on or before noon of the 27th day of December, 1902, for the furnishing of labor and materials for the super-structure of the Woman's Cottage at the Stark County Infirmary, excepting the plumbing and heating, according to the drawings and specifications on file in the Auditor's office. Each bid to specify the separate kind of trade, mechanical labor and materials entering into the same, together with the price thereof. Each bid also to set forth the sum in the aggregate for which said labor will be performed, and the materials furnished.

Each proposal to be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000), made payable to the Commissioners of Stark County, on condition that if after being duly notified that a bidder has been awarded a contract for the whole or any part of said work, or for the furnishing of said materials, that such bidder will enter into a contract with the Commissioners of Stark County for the performance of said labor or for the furnishing of said materials; and if any bidder shall fail to so enter into a contract, then said certified check for Two Thousand Dollars to be forfeited to the Commissioners of Stark County for the use of said Stark County. Otherwise the same to be returned to the bidder.

The Commissioners reserve the right to require of any bidder who shall receive a contract or contracts to furnish a surety company bond for the faithful performance of his work or for the furnishing of said materials.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all bids. Also to select the different or separate bids for labor and materials appearing in the different bids, or any one of them, or to award a contract either in whole or in part for said work, as said Commissioners in their discretion, shall desire.

M. W. OBERLIN,
Auditor.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Discovered this Week by Independent Investigators.

Mrs. M. W. Oberlin and Mrs. G. C. Haverstack are visiting in Cleveland.

Enterprise Company No. 73, U. R K. of P., initiat d six members at a special meeting held Friday night.

George W. Kratsch, a student at the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, arrived in the city Friday to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Harry S. Birch and Master George F. Knisely, of Chicago, are spending the holidays at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Rearick.

Mrs. A. Hayden, who was picked up sometime ago alongside of the Pennsylvania tracks in an intoxicated condition, has been sent to the county infirmary.

Miss Bonnie Rosenberger, of Oakdale, Tenn., arrived Saturday morning to visit her uncle, John Rosenberger. Miss Rosenberger expects to spend several months in the city.

Citizens of Uhrichsville offer a reward of two hundred dollars for the apprehension of the man who made a murderous assault upon Nellie Coleman, a 15-year-old girl, on the evening of December 15.

Akron city employes will have no money for Christmas presents this year. For more than a month, the city pay roll has been held up by the city council because of a dispute about a bill for paving.

Mrs. Matthew English and daughter, Mrs. Lincoln Wilhelm, and Mrs. Mordecai Davis, were among the Massillonians who went to Justus today to attend the funeral of the late Senator George W. Wilhelm.

The present term of court in Columbiana county has been a record breaker in the amount of business disposed of. About one hundred and fifty civil and nearly three hundred criminal cases have been passed upon.

The Oberlin village council has passed an anti-expectoration ordinance. Persons are prohibited from spitting on the sidewalks, on public stairways, or in any public places. The penalty is a fine not exceeding $10.

The vacancy of state agriculturist on the faculty of the Ohio agricultural experiment station, at Wooster, caused by the death of Prof. John F. Hickman, was filled yesterday afternoon by the board of control naming C. J. Williams, of Gustavus, O., for the position.

John Myers, a citizen of West Lebanon, narrowly escaped being run over at the West Main street crossing Thursday evening. A W. & L. E. train was nearing the crossing and the gates were down, but Myers was unable to see them and drove through. It is said that the train missed the buggy by only a few feet.

Charles Myers, who had such a narrow escape from being struck by a passing B. & O. engine in West Main street Friday morning, was thrown from his buggy near Stanwood en route home, Friday afternoon. Several ribs were fractured and other painful injuries sustained. Myers drove over an embankment.

Devotion to a friend has led Miss Lucy Post, an Akron young woman, to take up her temporary residence in the pest house. The friend became ill with smallpox and Miss Post insisted on accompanying her to the detention hospital to see that she received all possible care, though she herself has never had the disease.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Winston Burnham have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Miss Kate Burnham, to Mr. Jonathan Prescott Burton, of this city, on the afternoon of Thursday, January 8, at 4 o'clock, at St. Paul's church, Cleveland. The wedding will be followed by a reception at the Burnham residence, 683 Prospect street.

Judge Henry A. Wise, of Canton, through J. L. Robb, attorney, has given $51,000 in cash and a warranty deed for forty lots on Harrison and Fairfield avenues, Canton, for Kennebec, an apartment house, No. 700 Genessee avenue, Cleveland, lots 67x150 feet; also 928 feet front and 225 feet deep on Grandview Place, East Cleveland. The apartment house rents for $16,120 per year.

Members of the Massillon lodge of Elks met Saturday morning at 11:15 in the lodge rooms in West Main street for the purpose of attending in a body the funeral of the late Senator Wilhelm at Justus. They left over the noon train on the B. & O. Those who attended the funeral were T. H. Smith, Dr. D. S. Gardner, George Howells, A. Z. Wheeler, Harry W. Howells, Eugene Shanabrook, R. B. Crawford, jr., Benjamin Ayres, of Richville, A. J. Richeimer, Jerome Shepley, G. R. Geis, W. F. Brown, George Shauf, H. W. Foltz and H. V. Kramer.

Bert J. Graybill, who for many years has been employed as operator in the local office of the Western Union Telegraph Company, has accepted the position of manager of the Western Union office at South Bend, Ind., and will leave for that place in a few days. The South Bend office is one of the largest in this district, and Mr. Graybill's selection as manager is substantial evidence of the esteem in which he is held by the company which he has served so long.

The Catholic Order of Foresters met Tuesday evening in the Trades and Labor Assembly hall and elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Past chief ranger, Albert Stephan; chief ranger, Edward Ress; vice chief ranger, Nicholas Schott; financial secretary, Joseph J. Snyder; recording secretary, Alonzo Crofut; treasurer, Joseph Fox; trustee, H. B. Sibila; medical examiner, Jesse O. Gardner; delegate to the state convention which meets at Toledo next June, H. B. Sibila. The regular routine business was transactd.

John Gusberth, Frank Skivalochi and Michael Zink, keepers of boarding houses in Alliance, were arrested Tuesday charged with illegal liquor selling. They pleaded guilty and were each fined seventy-five dollars and costs, which they promptly settled. Their troubles did not end with this, as Internal Revenue Collector McCullough was on hand and demanded $25 from each of them for a license. This was paid also. Then they are confronted with another proposition, and that is the Dow tax which is $350 with a penalty of 50 per cent attached, or a total of perhaps from $550 to $600 to be paid by each of them. Their mode of evading the law was to order the beer or other drinks, distribute it among their patrons, and add the debt incurred for the same to the board bill account.

G. W. WILHELM'S SUDDEN DEATH.

The News a Shock to Massillon Friends.

ILL FOR PAST THREE WEEKS.

Suffering From an Attack of Inflammatory Rheumatism, His Condition was Not Considered Serious Until Tuesday Night, When the Disease Affected His Heart.

Senator George W. Wilhelm died Thursday morning at 1 o'clock at his home in Justus. Senator Wilhelm had been suffering for over three weeks with an attack of inflammatory rheumatism, but his condition was not considered serious until Tuesday evening. At that time the disease began to affect the heart, and it was as a result of one of these attacks that he died Thursday morning.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. William Kalp, of Justus, three brothers, James and Edward, of Justus; John, city editor of the Canton Repository, and two sisters residing in Justus, Mrs. Mary Hay and Mrs. George Warppler. In 1867 Mr. Wilhelm was married to Miss Jane E. Sinnock, who died about a month ago. Henry E. and John W. Sinnock, of this city, are brothefs of the late Mrs. Wilhelm.

Senator Wilhelm was born in Wilmot, August 15, 1847, and was the oldest of a family of nine children. When he was six years old his parents moved to a farm near Justus, where he lived until he was 16 years old, when he enlisted and served in the Army of the Potomac until the close of the rebellion. On his return home he engaged in machine and saw mill work until 1879, when he opened a general store in Justus, which he has conducted ever since. Mr. Wilhelm served two terms as representative from Stark county in the state legislature, being elected to the 68th and 72d general assemblies. In 1899 he was elected to the state senate from the Twenty-first district, composed of Stark and Carroll counties, receiving a majority of more than two thousand, and at the time of his death was serving his second term. Mr. Wilhelm stood high in the estimation of his colleagues in the legislature and served on a number of most important committees.

For twenty years or more Mr. Wilhelm has served as justice of the peace in Suagrcreek township.

Mr. Wilhelm was a member of the Wilmot Post G. A. R., and of the Masonic and Elk lodges in Massillon.

AT BED TIME I TAKE A PLEASANT HERB DRINK

THE NEXT MORNING I FEEL BRIGHT AND NEW AND MY COMPLEXION IS BETTER.

My doctor says it acts gently on the stomach, liver and kidneys and is a pleasant laxative. This drink is made from herbs, and is prepared for use as easily as tea. It is called "Lane's Tea," or

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All druggists or by mail 25 cts. and 50 cts. Buy it to day. Lane's Family Medicine moves the bowels each day. In order to be healthy this is necessary. Address, Box 295, Le Roy, N. Y.

NEARBY TOWNS.

CANAL FULTON.

Canal Fulton, Dec. 20.—Mr. and Mrs. William Stover spent Sunday with Massillon friends.

Mrs. Elsass, of Massillon, spent Sunday with relatives in Fulton.

Samuel Perskey spent several days last week in Akron and Cleveland.

Mrs. Minnie Hammer, of Doylestown, is visiting relatives in Fulton.

Miss Vincie Kurtz, of Massillon, spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. L. J. Kurtz.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Sorn, of Cleveland, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sorn.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ream, of Massillon, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Myers.

Mrs. Kate Heim, of Massillon, spent Sunday with her son, Frank Heim, of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. William Tantz and family, of Massillon, spent Sunday with Mrs. Frances Tantz.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Hammer and daughters, of Massillon, spent Sunday with friends in this place.

Arthur McFarland, Steven Findlay and Fred Blank, of Canton, were the guests of Fulton relatives Sunday.

Mrs. C. Nay and son Otto, of Crystal Spring, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Peter Reese and family.

Miss Helen Easly returned to her home in Cleveland after a few days' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Easly.

Preparatory services will be held at the Mudbrook Lutheran church from 9 to 10 o'clock Sunday morning, at the close of which communion services will be held.

William Links has been chosen as the Burkholder mine's representative to the miners' convention to be shortly held at Massillon.

Mr. and Mrs. William Blank, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Blank and Miss Louise Blank attended a banquet Friday night given by the K. of C. lodge, of Canton, to the lodges of Massillon and Alliance

Marshal Pfaffle has found the shoes claimed to have been stolen from the body of the late George Eckfield. The shoes were in the morgue where they had been left by Albert Eckfield, brother of the deceased.

Miss Jeanette Myers, of Dwight, Ill., is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Myers, of this place. Miss Myers is convalescent after an attack of pleurisy, and will remain here until she has entirely recovered. Miss Myers is a principal in one of the schools in Dwight.

At the meeting of the board of education, held Tuesday evening, the board decided to adjourn school from Wednesday, December 24, to January 5, 1903. The resignation of Miss Nellie Breece as teacher in the third room, was accepted, to take effect December 24, 1902. The position will be filled at a later date.

GENOA.

Genoa, Dec. 19.—Miss Kittie Muskoph visited her cousin, Miss Kittie Way, last week in Cleveland.

Many of the people in this vicinity attended the funeral of the late John Roush Sunday afternoon.

John Wallace has moved to the Rice property in Richville.

Finlay Bordner and Fred Marchand bought several fresh cows Saturday.

Will Chobagy has moved to the Sam Stern property.

There was a fox chase through this vicinity Friday.

Miss Grace Muskoph has been on the sick list.

Calvin Leich has purchased a new piano.

The Misses Clara and Mary Yost visited at Miss Della Bordner's last Sunday.

EAST GREENVILLE.

East Greenville, Dec. 19.—Owen Jones while going home Monday evening fell and received a few bad bruises on his face, one above his right eye and the other on the lower part of his jaw. Mr. Jones, in company with two of his friends, William Lewis and William D. Morris, was on his way home. When in front of the home of Tall Edwards he lost his balance and fell forward on his face.

Fred Kallenbach, one of the twin boys of Mr. and Mrs. August Kallenbach, met with a bad accident in the Bunguelue mine Tuesday afternoon. The boy found a dynamite cartridge and not knowing what it was or the danger in handling it, placed it down and struck it with a stone. It exploded and blew the thumb of his right hand off below the first joint. The other fingers were so badly mashed that amputation was necessary below the first joint. The boy is sixteen years of age.

The following are the attractions of the East Greenville lecture course: Coit Novelty Company, December 23; Fred High, entertainer, January 9; J. C. Castle, "Knows and I's, Mostly I's," February 7; E. T. Hagermau, "Don't Kill the Black Sheep," February 27; drama and concert, local talent, April 10; the Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Barron, date to be announced. The first number of the course will be Tuesday evening, December 23. The Coit Novelty Company is composed of A. C. Coit, manager and illustrator; William McCormick, whistler, mimic and magician; Myra Alice Casteline, reader and poser, and Martha Alexander, violinist and vocalist. Season tickets on sale at the postoffice or by members of the committee. Six numbers $1; single admission 25 cents.

A large number of falls have been reported throughout the village during the icy weather of Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

Executive Board Meeting Today to Arrange Programme.

The executive board of the Stark County Farmers' Institute are today holding a meeting in the mayor's court room. The object of the meeting is to make arrangements for the annual farmers' institute, which will be held in Canal Fulton, January 26 and 27. The board is composed of President C. A. Krider, Vice-President M. R. Woodling, Secretary Frank A Fisher, and a committee composed of C J. Miller, C. K. Smith and M J Snively.

A. L. White, of Norwich has been selected to speak on subjects concerning corn culture, field management, confidence in the work, marketing farm products and children of the farm. J L Sarver, of Bellefontaine, will speak concerning the farm dairy, poultry yard, household helps, the farmer as a business man, outing day for the farmer and his family. Dr D A. Harbaugh. V. S, of Canal Fulton, will speak on "The Hygienic Care of the Horse."

The Rev. L. H. Stewart, of this city, has been selected to deliver an address on "The Merciful Farmer." In addition to the programme already arranged for, there will be a programme of vocal and instrumental music rendered. Several speakers from Canal Fulton will also deliver addresses. The evening session of the institute will be held on January 26.

SKATER'S LIFE SAVED.

E. Klaus Went Through Thin Ice—E. Siffert Got Him Out.

A heroic action was performed Wednesday evening at the reservoir by Edward Siffert, of Navarre. Edward Klaus, of this city, was one of the several hundred skaters, and in venturing too close to the edge of thin ice in the northern part of the reservoir, he broke through and sank out of sight. Several skaters witnessed the accident and their shouts attracted a large crowd. All hesitated about venturing too close to the weak spot but Siffert, who throwing himself flat upon the ice, crawled to the edge of the hole and reaching out grabbed Klaus by the arm. Several ominous cracks in the ice frightened away the large crowd which had gathered, but Siffert held on and succeeded in pulling Klaus out of the water.

Siffert lives in Navarre, but is well known locally, having played on the Massillon ex-High School-Rolling Mill foot ball team. He is an all-round athlete and is naturally fearless.

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Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.

The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood.

If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work.

Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries.

It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

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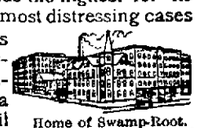

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GIRL A competent girl for general housework. Mrs. I. M. Taggart, 78 Prospect street.

GIRL—A girl to wash dishes Apply at Slote restaurant, rear of Albright's side entrance.

MAN—The man that put sorrel horse up at Bantz's livery to bring blanket back and get his own.

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BUILDING—Now occupied by F. W. ustus, Plumber, on Factory street. Inquire of G. F. Schworm.

HOUSES—One 7-roomed house on West Main St., gas, city and cistern water, at $15 per month. One 6-roomed house new, on Wooster St., gas and furnace, city and cistern water, at $17 per month Call on W. S. Spidle, lawyer, over 6 South Erie St.

HOUSE—A five-roomed house, city and cistern water and gas. 114 Washington avenue, rent $12.00 per month. Inquire of Chas. G. King, 29 S. Erie.

HOUSE—Seven-roomed house, 222 E. Main St., second house west of Center street. A. M Wetter.

OFFICE room on second floor, corner Main and Mill streets. Inquire at The Hess, Snyder Company's office.

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HOUSE—Seven-roomed house, large sized lot in good condition. No. 79 Park St., city and cistern water, gas and fruit on the premises. Henry Lantz

HORSE AND TOP BUGGY will be sold cheap. Call on Harry Wendling, 64 Duncan St.

HORSES—One team of horses and one team of mules. Call at the Artificial Ice & Coal Co.

HORSE—Cheap. West Side Livery Barn. Wm. Bantz, proprietor

HOUSE—New 6 roomed house on Front street, with bath room complete, stone cellar, city and cistern water, gas for heating and lighting. Possession given as soon as completed. Price $2,200. S. Burd, over 7 E. Main St.

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TWENTY Dollar bill. Finder please leave at this office and receive a reward.

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Men's Furnishing Department.

We are showing the most extensive line in the city, and after reading the following you will bear us out in our assertion, and we will assist you in solving the problem as to where to make your purchases.

Umbrellas. Well, we thought we had a large stock, but the rapid selling has found us cleaned up in two of our best numbers. We telegraphed for them and have the assurance that they will be here today. We carry the "Hirsh & Bro." make, which need no introduction to our patrons. Prices 50c to $15.

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Neckwear. You will have to see them to appreciate them. They range in price from 25c to $2.50.

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Suspenders. We certainly can please you. We have the "Yale" make. Prices 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $2.50 and $3.50 per pair.

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